

# *RTO District 41*

## *Minutes of the Executive Meeting of Wednesday March 4, 2009*

**PRESENT:** Carol Gagen, Martha Foster, Gord Park, Ric Murray, Marg Hulls, Ron Daykin, John Taylor, Dave Giles, Fran Wren,

**REGRETS:** Carolyn Cameron, Wayne Grosvenor, Dennis Collins, Jack Couckuyt, John McIntyre, Judy Upsdell

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Motion by Dave    Seconded by Marg  
CARRIED

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 9:30 a.m.

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Martha

Seconded by Dave

THAT the minutes be accepted as amended.  
CARRIED

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Motion by Martha

Seconded by Dave

THAT The budget be deferred until the April Meeting for clarification of questions  
CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Curling- The day was successful and most participants felt that it should be repeated.

Wellness Day is being planned for the fall of 2009.

A discussion ensued after budget presentation about increasing the number of sponsored social activities for members.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Thank you note from Elgin Trustee Tracy Grant to T.V,D.S.B for invitation to the Christmas dinner.

Thank you note from Sadie Blancher family.

Thank you note from Ross Moore family.

Notes of appreciation for the Christmas flowers and card from Linda Wilsdon and Helen Munroe

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **ARCHIVES:**

Rick suggested that we employ an archivist to assist with cataloguing RTO information and to have it possibly stored at the Library. Carol will investigate with Executive approval.

2. **GOODWILL:** Marg Hulls

Marg presented guidelines for the Goodwill Committee to be included in the revised Elgin District Constitution. These were discussed and amended for inclusion.

3. **HEALTH:** Ron Daykin

Ron has agreed to chair this committee from Mack Jackson and is growing into the role. He will give a written update to Jack for the newsletter.

4. **POLITICAL ACTION:** John Taylor

John wished to thank everyone for continuing to provide pop tabs to purchase wheelchairs. The next political action workshop will be attended by Wayne as he has previous commitments.

5. **PENSIONS:** Dave Giles

Dave wished to reassure everyone that our pensions continue to be secure as downturns in the economy are offset when the economy is healthy and that our investments are in for the long term.

April 3<sup>rd</sup> is the annual meeting of the Pension committee

There will be a pension workshop on September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> .

6. **COMMUNICATION:** Jack Couckuyt

No report

7. **TRAVEL:** John McIntyre

John through Carol reported that the Black Sea Discovery trip (June 3 to 16) is forthcoming and there are a few spots remaining.

Plans are continuing for a trip to Ireland in the spring of 2010 (late May early June) and details need to be finalized.

8. **SOCIAL & AWARDS:** Carol Gagen

25 year recognitions will be presented at the Annual General Meeting.

The presidents and a guest of the Districts forming the T.V.D.S.B. are to be invited to the AGM with the approval of the executive.

9. **SENATE REPORT:**

The Senate Meeting will be held on May 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> and Carol asked Martha and Wayne to represent us as delegates and Ron as an observer. All accepted

10. **CONSTITUTION:** Ric Murray

Rick presented the draft copy of the revised constitution of our District for final editing prior to being presented at the AGM.

11. **TELEPHONE:** Judy Upsdell

No report

12. **RECRUITMENT:** Fran Wren

Our annual retirement workshop will be held on Thursday November 12<sup>th</sup> at the Knights of Columbus hall in St. Thomas. Fran requested the continued assistance of the executive in setting up.

13. **MEMBERSHIP:** Ric Murray

Membership lists have been distributed to the executive and are revised as necessary. Ric will continue to get the names of Educational Support Staff retirees.

**PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Looking for nominations for Provincial Committees(by May 22), Provincial Executive(by June 30<sup>th</sup>), Founding Member (by June 1<sup>st</sup> ) and Distinguished Member(by June 1<sup>st</sup> )

Contact Carol for nominating forms.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Service to Others project update – project has been sent and received.

Annual General Meeting will be held at the Keystone Complex in Shedden on May 6<sup>th</sup> with guest speaker Sue Stephenson. Please send reports to Gord to be collated and printed for distribution at the meeting so that Dinner will be served on time.

Meeting Adjourned at **11:15 a.m.**